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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

On behalf of the Library staff, I extend to our readers greetings of the season and best wishes for the coming year.

1970 has capped a decade of extraordinary growth and vigor for the Library. Many of our goals have been achieved, but, as with any dynamic organization, this means that we must continue to set new, more ambitious goals. The Library remains committed, however, to the provision of improved service to the biomedical community through ongoing and new programs.

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NMAC'S BARNETT HONORED

Mr. Jerome K. Barnett, now Deputy Director of NLM's National Medical Audiovisual Center in Atlanta, Georgia, was the recipient of the Second Annual National Library of Medicine Director's Honor Award. The presentation was made in November, during the thirty-seventh meeting of the Library's Board of Regents in Boston.

Mr. Barnett was honored particularly for the outstanding way in which he managed the complex reorganization of the National Medical Audiovisual Center from February 1970, when he was designated its Project Officer, to its implementation on July 15, 1970. He was also cited for his exemplary performance as Acting Director of the Center from May through October 1970.

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NBS DEVELOPS DEVICE FOR NLM

The Select-a-Frame machine, a microfilm reader-copier, has been designed for NLM by National Bureau of Standards engineers James Strohlein and Thomas Bagg, as a rapid means of automatically making original-size prints of frames selected from rolls of microfilm. The Select-a-Frame utilizes the efficiency of continuous-flow enlargement printing by copying each frame selected onto a second roll of film and later printing all of this intermediate film. Its performance at the Library indicates that such a machine would serve other libraries in filling requests for "hard" copy of selected portions of microfilm holdings.

In the photograph (right), Mr. Strohlein has positioned a microfilm frame he wants to copy, using the control lever at the right, in the viewer of the Select-a-Frame copier. When he depresses the COPY button at left, 35mm diazo film will be exposed to the image on the microfilm. The developed diazo film can be run through an enlarging printer to obtain document-size prints.

Photograph, National Bureau of Standards

NLM APPROPRIATION FOR FY 1971: CURRENT STATUS

The House bill allowed appropriations for the Library of $19,769,000 -- the same amount as that requested by the President. The Senate increased the House allowance by $2,464,000, for a total of $22,233,000. This increase was intended to restore to their 1970 level NLM funds for grants and direct operations. Of the added funds, $1,000,000 was earmarked for the activities of the Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications.

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses compromised on a total increase of $1,000,000 over the President's original request for $19,769,000. The added million dollars were earmarked in part -- $500,000 -- for

$20,769,000.00

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Lister Hill getting $500,000 Cong Rec 1970

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support of the Lister Hill Center, with the balance allocated to other NLM programs.

The President signed the compromise bill on January 11, 1971.

SURGICAL FILMS PRESENTED TO NLM

Dr. C. Rollins Hanlon, Director of the American College of Surgeons (left), in ceremonies at the Library on December 3, presents 22 films to NLM Director Martin M. Cummings, M.D., with the approval of Mr. Charles T. Riall, Professional Relations Director of Davis & Geck, surgical suture firm. The films, which show outstanding surgical advances of the past 20 years, were a gift of the ACS and Davis & Geck; they will be placed in the National Archives of Medical Motion Pictures, maintained by the Library's National Medical Audiovisual Center, Atlanta, Georgia.

NLM TRAINING PROGRAM

Applications are being accepted for the 1971/72 National Library of Medicine Postgraduate Library Associate Training Program in Biomedical Communications, a one-year program of intensive training in modern medical library science. All applicants are required to file an NLM Information Sheet. Deadline for filing applications is March 1, 1971. All applicants must be United States citizens. Requests for application materials and further information should be directed to: Training Officer, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20014.

NEW PUBLICATION BY NLM STAFF MEMBER

Recently published by Charles C. Thomas is a volume entitled *Origins of Psychopharmacology from CPZ to LSD*, by Anne E. Caldwell, M.D., of the Library's Bibliographic Services Division. The book, written by an author with extensive knowledge of medicine, psychiatry, and psychopharmacology, is designed to appeal also to readers with nonclinical interest in psychotropic drugs. Its 225 pages include not only name and subject indexes, but also 311 references and 58 pages of extensive, well-documented notes.

PRICE ANNOUNCED FOR C-AIM

The Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, is now accepting orders for the 1970 edition (Volume I) of *Cumulated Abridged Index*

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Medicus (*News*, September-October 1970). The price for the casebound cumulation is $10.00 ($12.50 foreign). Orders, with remittance, should be sent to the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

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